

# Fredericksburg First Night 2011

Friday, December 31, 2010

A New Yearís Eve Celebration for the whole family in downtown Fredericksburg.

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## **Connected to the Community**

### **January Events**

1/7/2011 to 3/6/2011 - Hair Spray - the Musical - Rock to the hit songs, irresistible to audiences of any age! This musical-comedy phenomenon that inspired a major motion picture and won eight 2003 Tony Awards, including Best Musical. Enjoy the show from a private, candlelit table. \$ Riverside Center Dinner Theater

1/14/2011 to 1/24/2011 - Old Town Fredericksburg's Restaurant Week - Many downtown restuarants offer prix fixe lunch and dinner menus for the special price of \$10.11 for lunch and \$20.11 for dinner. Sample the toothsome cuisine offered in the unique and chef-owned restaurants of downtown Fredericksburg. \$

1/15/2011 - Add Your Voice - The public is invited to respond and add to the special exhibition "The New Reality: The Frontier of Realism in the 21st Century" during this engaging, collaborative day. Visitors are encouraged to share their written or videotaped thoughts on this unique collection of modern realistic paintings that are inspired by the Old Masters. Be curator for a day! This program is appropriate for all ages. FREE Gari Melchers Home and Studio

1/16/2011 - Chamber Music Concert - BEAUTIFUL MUSIC IN A BEAUTIFUL SPACE The nationally renowned Washington's Camerata brings early music for flutes and harpsichord to the newly renovated nave of St. George's Episcopal Church in this fourth concert of the 2010-2011 series. Concert begins at 3pm. \$

1/16/2011 - Hugh Mercer's Birthday - Celebrate the birthday of Dr. Hugh Mercer. You'll learn from Dr. Mercer's assistants what combination of herbs, extracts and barks were used to cure what ails you. Take a walk in the herb garden. Leeches, lancets, snakeroot, and crab claws made up just some of the remedies. His patients included Mary Washington, mother of George. Hugh Mercer Apothecary Shop. FREE

### **February Events**

2/19/2011 - George Washington's Birthday at Ferry Farm

- Celebrate George Washington's birthday at the place where he spent his boyhood years. George himself (portrayed by a 1st-person interpreter) will be on hand to preside over the events and talk about his experiences as a child at Ferry Farm. Visitors will enjoy games, crafts, and exhibits and sing "Happy Birthday" to George. \$

2/21/2011 - President's Day at the Rising Sun Tavern - Half-price admission in honor of George Washington. His youngest brother, Charles, built this landmark in 1760 as his private residence. The building became a tavern in 1792. No longer serving food & drink, the "tavern wenches" and male "indentured servants" entertain visitors with a lively interpretation of 18th-century tavern life. \$

#### **March Events**

3/6/2011 - 23rd Annual Fredericksburg Big Band Concert

- The Fredericksburg Big Band & Vocalists perform your favorite tunes. 2:00pm - 4:00pm Dodd Auditorium University of Mary Washington Free and open to the public! FREE Dodd Auditorium

**3/12/2011 - UMW Philharmonic Orchestra** - Concert begins at 7:30 PM FREE University of Mary Washington

3/12/2011 to 3/20/2011 - 60th Annual Fredericksburg Fine Arts Exhibit - Regional artists display their talent and creativity competing in various media for awards. Artwork deadline 2/4. Saturdays: 10a-4p Sundays: 12-4p Mon-Thur: 2-6p Fridays: 2-8p FREE Dorothy Hart Community Center

3/24/2011 to 3/26/2011 - 16th Annual Children's Art Show

- Come see the area's youngest creative talents! Local children ages 4yrs - 12th grade display their work in various media. Sponsored by Cox Communications. Artwork deadline 3/18 FREE Dorothy Hart Community Center

#### **April Events**

4/2/2011 - Park Day — Wilderness Battlefield - Join Friends of Wilderness Battlefield volunteers for the annual Park Day. Sponsored by the Civil War Preservation Trust and coordinated by FoWB, this day is devoted to sprucing up the Wilderness Battlefield through litter pick-up, brush clearing, sign painting and other maintenance. Great activity for Scouts and other youth groups. FREE

**4/15/2011 - Army of Stars** - Featuring national, regional and local talent, The Army of Stars is a benefit for The Fredericksburg Corps of The Salvation Army. \$

**4/16/2011 - Easter Egg Hunt** - Say Hi to the Easter Bunny and don't forget to bring your own basket! Everyone finds an egg! For children 3rd grade and younger. Raindate April 17. FREE Memorial (Kenmore Park)rmy. \$

**4/17/2011 - Spring Combined Choir Concert** - Concert begins at 7:30 p.m FREE University of Mary Washington



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# **Keep Lunch Alive!**

We need your help to keep everyone's favorite concert series going! Now accepting sponsors for each of the lunchtime concerts.



Tuesdays 11:30am - 1:30pm in May, June & September Perfect opportunity for businesses and community groups!

Interested in supporting the event? Call (540) 372-1086 x215 for info

### **May Events**

5/3/2011 - Lunchtime at Hurkamp - Free, live lunchtime concert in Hurkamp Park. EVERY TUESDAY in May, June & September! 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Bring a lunch or purchase one in the park while enjoying a music by local performers. FREE Hurkamp Park

5/7/2011 - Lyrics, Letters & Diaries - Join The Chamber Chorale of Fredericksburg, the Fredericksburg Area Museum and the National Park Service for an evening of "Songs and Passages from the Civil War." This musical reflection on the Sesquicentennial of the Civil War will weave the story of Fredericksburg citizens, through their own words. \$ St. George's Episcopal Church

5/14/2011 to 5/15/2011 - 39th Annual Fredericksburg Art Festival - Artists from all over Virginia display and sell their work as they compete for cash prizes in a lovely outdoor park. Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday 11 a.m.to 4 p.m. in Hurkamp Park. LIVE MUSIC Saturday Noon-5 p.m. Artist deadline 3/11 FREE TO SHOP Hurkamp Park

5/22/2011 - Spotsylvania Reenactment - Civil War Reenactment at Spotsylvania Courthouse. Feel the ground tremble when the cannons start their firey assult, hear the spine tingling rebel yell before the attack. Don't miss your opportunity to learn about the soldiers that make up the ranks. \$

5/30/2011 - 150th Anniversary of the Civil War - Rappahannock Pops Orchestra Memorial Day Concert- 150th Anniversary of the Civil War FREE Mary Washington Hospital Ambulatory Care Entrance



what do we want to do????

Looking for a place for your next party or event?

We can help!

Whether you're looking for park or picnic space, indoor space, or athletic areas, we have something for everyone!

We have a place for any occassion!

For more information. please contact us at (540) 372-1086 x201

or visit us at www.fredericksburgva.gov/PR/index.htm

### **Dorothy Hart Community Center**



**Way Back When** 



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# **The Dorothy Hart Community Center**

is located at 408 Canal Street in downtown Fredericksburg, Virginia. Parking is available at the rear of the building. FRED buses also stop at Canal & Charles Streets.

The Community Center has an auditorium, three classrooms and a kitchen which hold many Parks and Recreation indoor activities. These rooms are also available for public rental. For details on room rental, call Parks & Recreation, 372-1086 ext. 201 or visit the Parks & Recreation Department page on the City's website, www.fredericksburgva.gov to download the rental policies.

# **Hours of Registration**

Monday - Thursday, 9:00am to 9:00pm Friday: 9:00am to 4:00pm Saturday & Sunday, Closed

Registration for 2011 Winter Programs and Activities
Begins
January 4<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am for City Residents
January 11<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am for Non-City Residents



### Program Registration Form For Classes and Trips

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Use this form for all family members within the same address. If you need more room, please attach a separate piece of paper for additional participants' class choices. Please feel free to PHOTOCOPY this form for your friends.

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